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For: NOVEL POLYNUCLEOTIDES AND
POLYPEPTIDES IN PATHOGENIC
MYCOBACTERIA AND THEIR USE AS
DIAGNOSTICS, VACCINES AND TARGETS
FOR CHEMOTHERAPY

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Monday, May 22, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 20, 2000, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested; the period for response having been extended up to and including Monday, May 22, 2000, by submission of the requisite petition and fee, attached.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the claims as follows.

Cancel claims 4-11, 14, 15, 18 and 20-23, without prejudice.

1. (Amended) A polypeptide in [substantial] isolated form which comprises a sequence selected from the sequences of [Seq ID No.] SEQ ID NO: 6, '8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20,

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